

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing the importance of the regional campus of Ivy Tech Community College serving Lafayette, Crawfordsville and Monticello, Indiana.

Whereas, The Lafayette regional campus of Ivy Tech Community College started as the Tippewa Technical Institute in 1968 in the arena of health career vocations;

Whereas, The early roots of Ivy Tech in the Lafayette region are in the Ross Building, recognized by the Indiana Historic Landmarks Foundation, and was formerly a tuberculosis sanatorium and a county nursing home before becoming Ivy Tech's administration building;

Whereas, Griffin Hall is named in honor of George and Mabel Griffin and through their legacy have established the Griffin Endowment Fund to provide scholarships to students in need;



Whereas, Ivy Hall was opened August 2001, consolidating Ivy Tech's campus on the City of Lafayette's southeast side;

Whereas, The Gerald Lampkin Union Apprenticeship Center housing organized labor, including the Indiana Regional Council of Carpenters JATC and Electrical JATC, was established in 2001, providing union trades a home for training new apprentices;

Whereas, The Lafayette regional campus continues to expand its programs and partnerships, including elements such as formal transfer and articulation agreements with Purdue University, Indiana University, Saint Joseph's College, Indiana State University, Western Governors University, Ball State University, IUPUI, and Indiana Wesleyan University;

Whereas, Cultural awareness and academic achievement continues to grow in the Lafayette Community College region through such programs and partnerships as the Hidalgo, Mexico, historic agreement signed in 2009, and the annual Latino Festival, which has drawn over 1,500 people into the Lafayette campus environment;

Whereas, The Lafayette Campus Library is a partnership between the Tippecanoe County Public Library and Ivy Tech, containing both public and college collections, as well as virtual libraries serving both Tippecanoe County and the greater regional area;

Whereas, Ivy Tech students can participate in a wide range of student clubs, organizations and intramural sports through a partnership with the Lafayette Family YMCA and Junior Achievement;

Whereas, The Career Service & Student Support Center serves students and alumni through career exploration, job zones and boards, career fairs, and job search advising;

Whereas, The White County Instructional Center serves Monticello and surrounding communities with first-year college



courses as well as dual credit courses for area high school students;

Whereas, The Montgomery County Instructional Center in Crawfordsville will expand and soon move to a new campus to serve the growing needs of the eastern and western I-74 corridor and offer a full associate degree program in business administration;

Whereas, The Agriculture Program Laboratory and Corporate Learning Center Buildings have grown and expanded to serve the students in the Departments of Agriculture, Workforce, and Economic Development;

Whereas, A new Renaissance Place Instructional Center in downtown Lafayette serves downtown residents and business, as well as Purdue University students;

Whereas, The Lafayette Ivy Tech region in 2011 offered and expanded new programs in areas such as Advanced Manufacturing, Health Services, Therapeutic Massage, and Sustainable & Renewable Energy; and,

Whereas, In 2011, nearly 400 graduates realized their dreams and participated in the commencement graduation ceremonies in front of over 3,000 of their families and friends: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates and supports the Lafayette regional campus of Ivy Tech Community College in its mission of enabling students and citizens to realize their full potential and supporting regional education and economic development in Indiana.

